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Senate Resolution 838

By: Senator Rogers of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Captain Steve Edwards on the occasion of his retirement; and
- 2 for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Captain Steve Edwards is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and
- 4 state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication
- 5 to the sound principles of law enforcement; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Captain Edwards served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty for
- 7 23 years in the United States Navy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, during his years of selfless service to this country, Captain Edwards achieved
- 9 the rank of master chief and demonstrated great valor and courage during the Vietnam War;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, Captain Edwards has dedicated the last 16 years to the Cherokee County
- 12 Sheriff's Office, taking only one week off during his tenure; and
- WHEREAS, he began with Cherokee County Sheriff's Office in 1993 as a deputy in Uniform
- 14 Patrol, moved through the Criminal Investigation Division, the Office of Professional
- 15 Standards, and the Violent Crimes Unit, and retires as captain of Uniform Patrol Operations;
- 16 and
- WHEREAS, in 2004, as division commander of the Violent Crimes Unit, Captain Edwards
- was instrumental in solving four unsolved homicides that occurred in the county two years
- 19 prior; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Captain Edwards has exhibited extraordinary devotion to duty, outstanding
- 21 loyalty, fine leadership, meticulous attention to detail in all his duties, and an unbelievable

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22 work ethic, and his efficient and effective commitment to excellence has been continually

- 23 recognized by his peers; and
- 24 WHEREAS, although his daily presence on the force will be missed, Captain Edwards leaves
- behind a legacy which will inspire future generations of officers; and
- 26 WHEREAS, Captain Edwards plans to enjoy his retirement by spending more time with his
- 27 wife, Sharyn; their children, Gina, Steven, and Stephen, Jr.; and their grandchildren, Lexis,
- 28 Cody, Tyler, and Justin; and
- 29 WHEREAS, Captain Edwards has served with valor and compassion and stands as a true
- 30 champion for the citizens of Georgia, guided by the best interests of the people, and it is
- 31 abundantly fitting and proper that he be appropriately recognized.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 33 commend the care, fortitude, and selfless dedication exhibited by Captain Steve Edwards in
- 34 carrying out the difficult duties of his vocation and congratulate him on the occasion of his
- 35 retirement.
- 36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 37 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Captain Steve Edwards.